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BROAD PROTECTION AGAINST
HYPERVIRULENT MENINGOCOCCAL
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated June 12, 2009 (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20090608), for which a response was due on September 12, 2009. This response is filed with a petition and fee for a three-months extension of time. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.